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PRIVATE SECTOR IN POWER TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up special purpose vehicles to standardise detailed project reports on different power transmission projects and to award transmission projects through tariff based competitive bidding to private developers to remove private sector apprehensions and to attract higher private capital investment into the sector ;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to encourage private investment in power transmission and distribution sector in the country ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a)to(c) : Government of India has issued Guidelines for Encouraging Competition in the Development of Transmission Projects and Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding for Transmission Services. An Empowered Committee, constituted as per the provisions of these guidelines has identified 14 inter-state transmission projects for Tariff based Bidding.Following is the list of these 14 inter- state Projects, which have been identified by the Government of India.

Sl. Name of Transmission Project. No.

1. Evacuation System for North Karanpura (1980 MW)

2. Talcher Augmentation System

3. Evacuation System for Maithon RB (1000 MW)

4. Scheme for enabling import of NER/ER surplus by NR

5. SR-WR Synchronous Inter-Connector

6. Kawas-Navsari 400 kV D/C

7. Navsari-Mumbi New location 400 kV D/C

8. Evacuation System for Barh-II (1320 MW)

9. Evacuation System for Nabinargar (1000MW)

10. Evacuation System for Daripally integrated Project (3200 MW), 800 MW in 11th Plan

11. Evacuation System for Koderma 500 MW

12. Evacuation System for Mejia ext. 1000 MW

13. Evacuation System for Lara Integrated Project (4000 MW) 800 MW in 11th Plan

14. Evacuation System for Simhadri Ext. (1000 MW)

Following are details of four projects out of these 14 projects, which are being taken up by Special Purpose Vehicles incorporated by Power Finance Corporation

(PFC) and Rural Electrification Corporation (REC).

Project through PFC:

1. Evacuation System for Maithon RB (1000 MW), Koderma (1000 MW) and Bokaro Ext. (500 MW).

2. Scheme for enabling import of North Eastern Region (NER)/ER surplus by Northern Region (NR).

Project through REC:

1. Evacuation System for North Karanpura (1980 MW)

2. Talcher Augmentation System.

The responsibility for encouraging private sector participation in the intra-state Transmission-System and distribution rests with the State Governments/State Utilities as per the provisions of Electricity Act, 2003.